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General Certificate of Education  
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# Mathematics

# MPC4

## Unit Pure Core 4

Monday 24 January 2011 9.00 am to 10.30 am

**For this paper you must have:**

- the blue AQA booklet of formulae and statistical tables.

You may use a graphics calculator.

### Time allowed

- 1 hour 30 minutes

### Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen. Pencil should only be used for drawing.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- Answer **all** questions.
- Write the question part reference (eg (a), (b)(i) etc) in the left-hand margin.
- You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do not write outside the box around each page.
- Show all necessary working; otherwise marks for method may be lost.
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work that you do not want to be marked.

### Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 75.

### Advice

- Unless stated otherwise, you may quote formulae, without proof, from the booklet.



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Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.

- 1 (a) Express  $2 \sin x + 5 \cos x$  in the form  $R \sin(x + \alpha)$ , where  $R > 0$  and  $0^\circ < \alpha < 90^\circ$ .  
Give your value of  $\alpha$  to the nearest  $0.1^\circ$ . (3 marks)
- (b) (i) Write down the maximum value of  $2 \sin x + 5 \cos x$ . (1 mark)
- (ii) Find the value of  $x$  in the interval  $0^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ$  at which this maximum occurs,  
giving the value of  $x$  to the nearest  $0.1^\circ$ . (2 marks)

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**2 (a)** The polynomial  $f(x)$  is defined by  $f(x) = 9x^3 + 18x^2 - x - 2$ .

**(i)** Use the Factor Theorem to show that  $3x + 1$  is a factor of  $f(x)$ . (2 marks)

**(ii)** Express  $f(x)$  as a product of three linear factors. (3 marks)

**(iii)** Simplify  $\frac{9x^3 + 21x^2 + 6x}{f(x)}$ . (3 marks)

**(b)** When the polynomial  $9x^3 + px^2 - x - 2$  is divided by  $3x - 2$ , the remainder is  $-4$ .

Find the value of the constant  $p$ . (2 marks)

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**3 (a)** Express  $\frac{3 + 9x}{(1 + x)(3 + 5x)}$  in the form  $\frac{A}{1 + x} + \frac{B}{3 + 5x}$ , where  $A$  and  $B$  are integers. (3 marks)

**(b)** Hence, or otherwise, find the binomial expansion of  $\frac{3 + 9x}{(1 + x)(3 + 5x)}$  up to and including the term in  $x^2$ . (7 marks)

**(c)** Find the range of values of  $x$  for which the binomial expansion of  $\frac{3 + 9x}{(1 + x)(3 + 5x)}$  is valid. (2 marks)

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**4** A curve is defined by the parametric equations

$$x = 3e^t, \quad y = e^{2t} - e^{-2t}$$

**(a) (i)** Find the gradient of the curve at the point where  $t = 0$ . (3 marks)

**(ii)** Find an equation of the tangent to the curve at the point where  $t = 0$ . (1 mark)

**(b)** Show that the cartesian equation of the curve can be written in the form

$$y = \frac{x^2}{k} - \frac{k}{x^2}$$

where  $k$  is an integer. (2 marks)

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**6 (a) (i)** Given that  $\tan 2x + \tan x = 0$ , show that  $\tan x = 0$  or  $\tan^2 x = 3$ . (3 marks)

**(ii)** Hence find all solutions of  $\tan 2x + \tan x = 0$  in the interval  $0^\circ < x < 180^\circ$ . (1 mark)

**(b) (i)** Given that  $\cos x \neq 0$ , show that the equation

$$\sin 2x = \cos x \cos 2x$$

can be written in the form

$$2 \sin^2 x + 2 \sin x - 1 = 0 \quad (3 \text{ marks})$$

**(ii)** Show that all solutions of the equation  $2 \sin^2 x + 2 \sin x - 1 = 0$  are given by

$$\sin x = \frac{\sqrt{3} - 1}{p}, \text{ where } p \text{ is an integer.} \quad (3 \text{ marks})$$

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7 (a) (i) Solve the differential equation  $\frac{dx}{dt} = \sqrt{x} \sin\left(\frac{t}{2}\right)$  to find  $x$  in terms of  $t$ . (3 marks)

(ii) Given that  $x = 1$  when  $t = 0$ , show that the solution can be written as

$$x = (a - \cos bt)^2$$

where  $a$  and  $b$  are constants to be found. (3 marks)

(b) The height,  $x$  metres, above the ground of a car in a fairground ride at time  $t$  seconds is modelled by the differential equation  $\frac{dx}{dt} = \sqrt{x} \sin\left(\frac{t}{2}\right)$ .

The car is 1 metre above the ground when  $t = 0$ .

(i) Find the greatest height above the ground reached by the car during the ride. (2 marks)

(ii) Find the value of  $t$  when the car is first 5 metres above the ground, giving your answer to one decimal place. (2 marks)

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**8** The coordinates of the points  $A$  and  $B$  are  $(3, -2, 4)$  and  $(6, 0, 3)$  respectively.

The line  $l_1$  has equation  $\mathbf{r} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} + \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

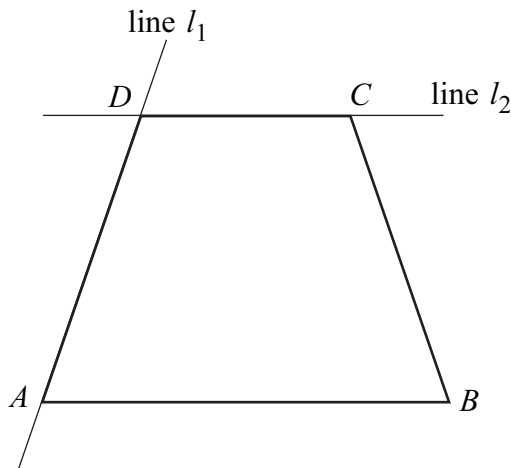
**(a) (i)** Find the vector  $\overrightarrow{AB}$ . (2 marks)

**(ii)** Calculate the acute angle between  $\overrightarrow{AB}$  and the line  $l_1$ , giving your answer to the nearest  $0.1^\circ$ . (4 marks)

**(b)** The point  $D$  lies on  $l_1$  where  $\lambda = 2$ . The line  $l_2$  passes through  $D$  and is parallel to  $AB$ .

**(i)** Find a vector equation of line  $l_2$  with parameter  $\mu$ . (2 marks)

**(ii)** The diagram shows a symmetrical trapezium  $ABCD$ , with angle  $DAB$  equal to angle  $ABC$ .



The point  $C$  lies on line  $l_2$ . The length of  $AD$  is equal to the length of  $BC$ .

Find the coordinates of  $C$ . (6 marks)

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